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## Doctor Nicholas Perricone

**A Dedicated Doctor using his Talents for the Greater Good**

Doctor Nicholas Perricone may be best known for his passion to unlocking the secrets to healthy aging, but what most of us don't know is his equal commitment to serving impoverished families through the gift of Catholic education.

The well-known Dr. Nicholas Perricone, MD is a board certified dermatologist; best-selling author and founder of a company that is said to have pioneered the concept of youthful health and beauty based on break-through technology. He holds more than 100 patents worldwide for the treatment of skin and systemic disease, and for reversing and preventing skin damage.

The process of research, development and marketing has taken Dr. Perricone around the world many times over. While on business in Brazil about ten years ago, he was struck by the enormous poverty he observed in some areas- particularly that affecting children. This encounter served as a basis for his quest to rescue orphans and impoverished children in Brazil.

In 2005, Dr. Perricone began supporting the Casa Mama Rosa House, an orphanage in São Paulo, Brazil sponsored by Legionaires of Christ. The orphanage took children off the streets, offering a nurturing, formative environment for children to grow and become independent.

Following that initiative, the doctor began monthly support for the Mão Amiga school in the same city. Mão Amiga is a Catholic school providing high quality academic and spiritual foundations for impoverished children. Dr. Perricone was drawn to the mission of the Mão Amiga (Helping Hand) school: a vehicle to stop the cycle of generational poverty through Catholic education. The

school employs a proprietary approach to teaching impoverished children, addressing attention, focus, discipline and study habits, while forming them in the traditions of the Catholic faith.

Most recently, he sponsored 21 children at the Mão Amiga school. "We are enormously appreciative of Dr. Perricone's love and support for our children here, says Juliana Malheiro, of Mão Amiga. "Without him, many of our children may not ever have a chance at building a future for themselves free of the constraints of poverty."

The author of seven best-selling books and host of a public television educational program, Dr. Perricone takes his public role very seriously. Demonstrating a heart for the poor even as a young adult, he worked while in college with needy inner city children. Perricone served as a role model for the children, teaching them the importance of education in breaking out of the cycle of poverty.

Dr. Perricone remains passionate about the formation of children through education. "It is privilege and honor to help the beautiful children of Brazil gain the education and guidance they need for a fulfilling, creative and productive life," he says.

Catholic World Mission honors generous people such as Dr. Nicholas Perricone who use their gifts to be a Light of the World for those in need.

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